THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CYCLONE—MARAK

St. Joseph, Cyclone & Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Marak

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Masses: Cyclone: Sat. 5:30PM & Sun. 8:15AM; Weekdays: Tue, Thurs & Friday: 7AM

Marak: Sundays: 10:15AM and Wednesday 5:30PM(unless otherwise stated)

The Sacraments:

Baptism: On Sundays after Mass. Please contact the pastor for scheduling a meeting with him; a preparation program may be needed. Parents must be registered parishioners of St. Joseph, Cyclone or Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Marak.

Confessions: Before Mass on the weekend and anytime by appointment.

<u>Marriage:</u> Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor at least six months in advance before you set the date of the wedding. Completion of required paperwork and a preparation program needed.

JUNE 14, 2020—SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

The Eucharist is given to us as a challenge and a promise. That's how Jesus presents it in today's Gospel. He doesn't make it easy for those who hear Him. They are repulsed and offended at His words. Even when they begin to quarrel, He insists on describing the eating and drinking of His flesh and blood in starkly literal terms. Four times in today's reading, Jesus uses a Greek word—*trogein*—that refers to a crude kind of eating, almost a gnawing or chewing (see <u>John 6:54</u>, <u>56</u>, <u>57</u>, <u>58</u>).

He is testing their faith in His Word, as today's First Reading describes God testing Israel

in the desert. The heavenly manna was not given to satisfy the Israelites' hunger, as Moses explains. It was given to show them that man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

In today's Psalm, too, we see a connection between God's Word and the bread of life. We sing of God filling us with "finest wheat" and proclaiming his Word to the world. In Jesus, "the living Father" has given us His Word come down from heaven, made flesh for the life of the world. Yet as the Israelites grumbled in the desert, many in today's Gospel cannot accept that Word. Even many of Jesus' own followers abandon Him after this discourse (see <u>John 6:66</u>). But His words are Spirit and life, the words of eternal life (see <u>John 6:63</u>, <u>67</u>).

In the Eucharist we are made one flesh with Christ. We have His life in us and have our life because of Him. This is what Paul means in today's Epistle when He calls the Eucharist a "participation" in Christ's body and blood. We become in this sacrament partakers of the divine nature (see 1 Peter 2:4). This is the mystery of the faith that Jesus asks us to believe. And He gives us His promise that sharing in His flesh and blood that was raised from the dead, we too will be raised up on the last day.

Bulletin Information: MARAK: Patsy Gaines (254-482-0570) - Email—pagaines2002@yahoo.com CYCLONE: Nancy Posvar (254-913-2696)

Bulletin deadline: Please call or e-mail info for the bulletin by Wednesday before the weekend!

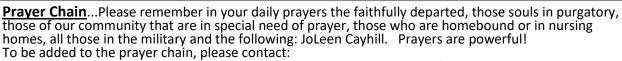
Ministries for June 21

<u>Rosary:</u> Volunteers <u>Eucharistic Minister</u>: Misty Green

Offertory: KJZT JRS. <u>Lector:</u> KJZT JRS.

<u>Ushers:</u> KJZT JRS.

<u>Altar Servers</u>: Gracie Doskocil, Carter Doskocil, Tessa Vaculin <u>Sanctuary Light: June 15th-21st:</u> Special Intention by Ethel Marak



Contact Merlene Slavik—254-697-1247 or email—Slavik@farm-market.net

MARAK MASSES—June 14-21, 2020			
Date	Time	Intentions	
Today- 6/14	10:15am	+ Daniel Hromcik by Anna & Kevin Givens + Joe Vansa by Gladys Lee	
6/17 —Wednesday	5:30pm	+ Eugene Tomek by Family + Martha Hertenberger by Julie McLerran	
6/21—Sunday	10:15am	+ August & Mary Hubnik by Liz & Arvell Jungmann For all the Fathers of Ss. Cyril & Methodius—Marak by St. Ann's Altar Society	

CYCLONE MASSES— June 14-21, 2020			
Date	Time	Mass Intentions	
Today - 6/14	8:15am	+ Walter & Lucille Greener by Monica Mikeska	
6/16—Tuesday	7:00am	+ Shirley Skala by Bill & Carol Smetana	
6/18—Thursday	7:00am	+ Rosa Pechal by Charlie & Jackie Green	
6/19—Friday	7:00am	+ Louis & Jean Driska by Ken & Jeanette Driska	
6/20—Saturday Vigil	5:30pm	+ Marvin Wilde by Family	
6/21—Sunday	8:15am	+ Larry Posvar by Family	

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

- <u>2020 MARAK HOMECOMING PICNIC:</u> If you can donate a prize, please contact: Julie or Tom Motyka 254-722-0394. We would like to get tickets printed by July 19th and distributed by August 9th. THANK YOU for all that you do to make our picnic a success!
- JUNE 16: KC meeting at St. Joseph's Parish Hall—7:30pm

6/7: Stewardship: Regular Offering: \$2,500.00 6/7: Building Fund:\$355.00

6/7: Children's Offering: \$1.00

Thank you for Your Generosity!

